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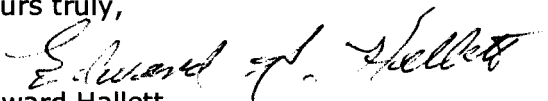
Dear Air Board-

I am writing to give my support to Mirant Power and their efforts to improve their facilities. They have applied for permission to invest in their smoke stack merge project that will effectively bring the plant up to the same standards as newer plants, without making major modifications to the stacks themselves. This will not only benefit the surrounding communities through cleaner air, but avoids more than doubling the height of the stacks.

I am retired and have been a long time member of this community, and I appreciate the efforts this company is making to improve the quality of our environment while allowing them to remain a strong supplier of energy to our local grid. One thing I know for sure, if we force this plant to close and sell off the land, we will only create a larger demand for energy while drastically reducing the energy supply at the same time.

It seems clear to me that the best course of action would be to follow the advice of the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality. They have said the available data shows approving Mirant's plan is what is best for our current situation and takes into consideration both the needs of the community, as well as properly addresses the environmental concerns of the people.

Yours truly,


Edward Hallett